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# FERROELECTRIC AND HIGH DIELECTRIC CONSTANT INTEGRATED CIRCUIT CAPACITORS WITH THREE-DIMENSIONAL ORIENTATION FOR HIGH-DENSITY MEMORIES, AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

# 5 RELATED INVENTIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/302,441 filed November 22, 2002, and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/302,442 filed November 22, 2002, and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/998,469 filed November 29, 2001, which are hereby incorporated by reference.

# **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

### 1. Field of the Invention

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The present invention pertains to the field of high-density memories and, particularly, memories that utilize ferroelectric capacitors.

# 15 2. Statement of the Problem

Ferroelectric memories are nonvolatile memories offering performance and densification advantages over conventional nonvolatile memories, such as electrically erasable programmable read only memories (EEPROM) and erasable programmable read only memories (EPROM). U.S. Patent No. 5,046,043 issued September 3, 1991 to Miller et al. shows a 1T/1C memory cell having a lead zirconium titanate (PZT) ferroelectric capacitor alternatively stacked over a contact hole or within a conduit leading to the transistor source/drain region. The configuration of the Miller et al. ferroelectric memory cells is similar to that of a conventional dynamic random access memory (DRAM) cell. However, the operation and timing are different, particularly in that the cell does not need to be refreshed as often because memory storage is relatively permanent. A refresh operation is one in which the memory logic senses the state of the memory cells and writes the state of the memory that has been sensed back to the memory cells in an identical format to that which has been sensed.

Permanence or nonvolatility of memory storage results from the ability of ferroelectric materials to polarize in the presence of an applied electric field, and to retain that polarization state once the field is removed. Thus, a logical one or zero is represented by the polarization state of the ferroelectric material in the capacitor. Memory sense amplifiers and logic circuits are used to determine the polarization state